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The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Senate Majority Leader  
317 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Chuck Schumer  
Senate Minority Leader  
322 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Leader McConnell and Leader Schumer,

We write to you to express our support of H.R. 1164, the Taylor Force Act, which passed the House of Representatives with unanimous support on December 5, 2017, and ask for its immediate consideration in the Senate. This bill is named in honor of Taylor Force, an American veteran who was murdered in March 2016 by a Palestinian terrorist while on an educational tour in Israel. The terrorist who murdered Taylor was killed in the attack, and his family was given a substantial pension for life from the Palestinian Authority (PA) as a reward for carrying out the terror attack. Taylor's parents, Stuart and Robbi, were left with only photographs and memories of their beloved son.

March 8, 2018, will mark two years since Taylor was murdered. Every day that we wait to send this legislation to President Trump, more money is being sent to an entity that celebrated Taylor's murderer with a hero's funeral and financially rewards these terrorists and their families for their horrific acts. H.R. 1164 would withhold economic assistance to the West Bank and Gaza that directly benefits the Palestinian Authority, while specifically protecting humanitarian aid, until the Secretary of State certifies that the PA is: taking credible steps to end terrorism; terminating payments for acts of terrorism against innocent civilians; revoking their laws, decrees, and regulations that authorize the payments; and publicly condemning acts of violence.

The House of Representatives believes the PA must meet these standards in order to receive hardworking Americans' tax dollars. We understand the Senate is working on many important issues, however, providing this legislation with a vote on the Senate Floor will send an important message to the world: America will not financially contribute to the glorification of the murder of innocents. Our foreign aid comes with an expectation that the money we send overseas is used

to improve lives. We deeply appreciate your consideration of this matter. We look forward to continue working with you to ensure that American taxpayer dollars are not going to reward terrorists and their families.

Sincerely,



Doug Lamborn  
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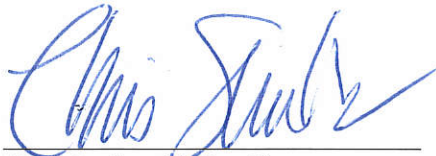
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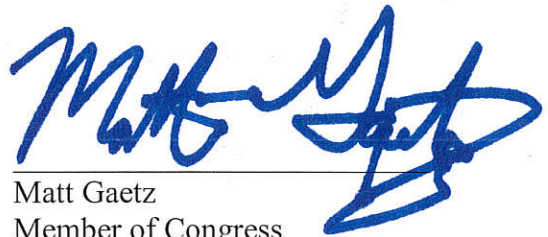
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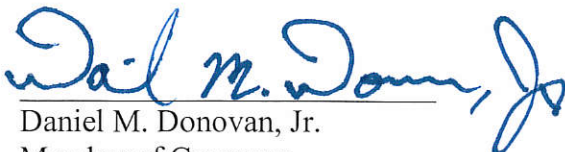
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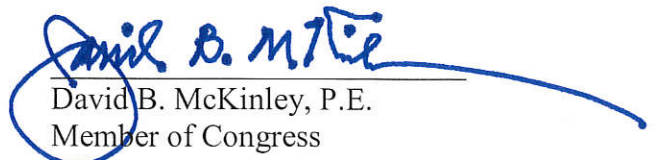
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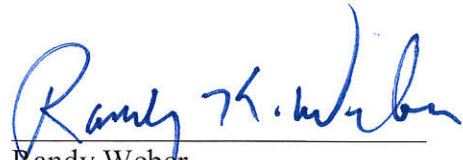
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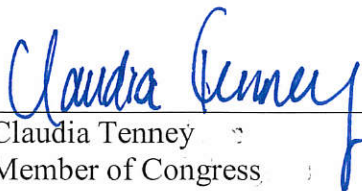
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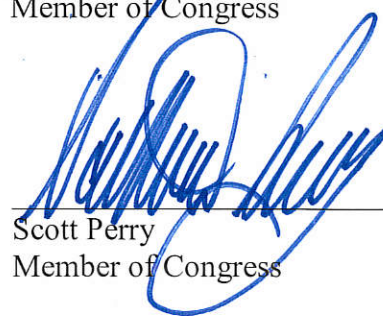
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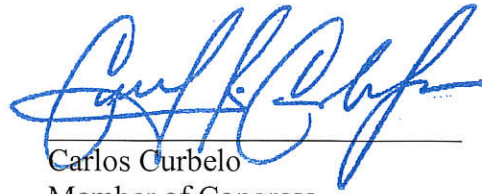


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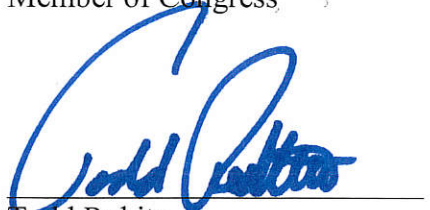
  
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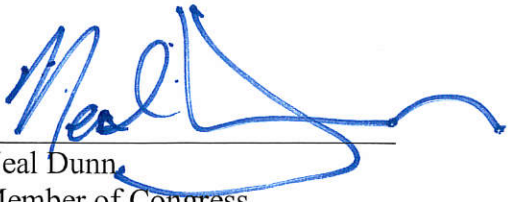
  
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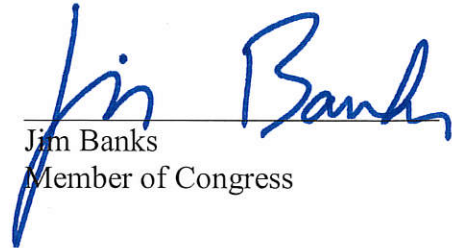
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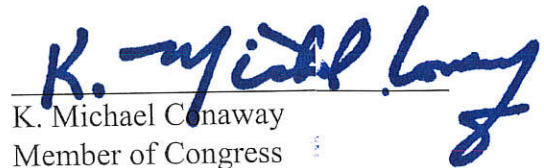
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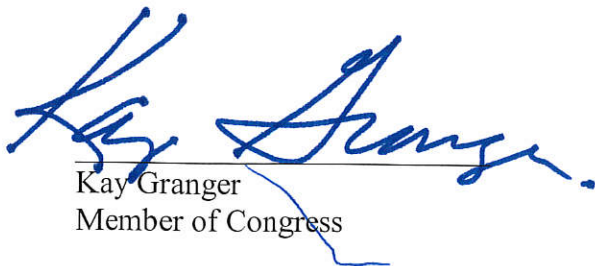
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